

been an actual resident of the town, city, village or county where he offers to vote, for three months next preceding such election, and shall be a legal voter in such city, village or town.

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 29, 1872.

CHAPTER LIV.

An Act to authorize the City of Stillwater to issue Bonds to aid in the Construction of a Railroad and Wagon Bridge.

February 29,
1872.

- SECTION 1. Authority given to issue bonds for construction of a bridge.
2. Proposal to issue bonds to be submitted to vote of the people.
 3. When act to take effect

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :

SECTION 1. The city council of the city of Stillwater are hereby authorized and fully empowered to issue the bonds of said city, under its corporate seal, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars in aid of the construction of a railroad bridge across Lake St. Croix at said city of Stillwater; and to a further amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars in aid of making such bridge also a free wagon bridge; such bonds to be issued in sums of not less than five hundred dollars each, and to bear interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually in the city of New York, or at such other place as said city council may determine, and to be specified in interest coupons attached to said bonds; the principal to be payable in not less than twenty nor more than thirty years from the date of issue. Such bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and Recorder of said city, and shall bear date of the time when such bridge shall be completed; and the same when

Authority to
issue bonds.

so executed, sealed and delivered shall be obligatory upon said city, and it shall thereupon become the duty of the city council of said city to cause an annual tax to be levied upon the taxable property of said city sufficient in amount to pay the interest upon said bonds as the same shall become due and payable, and to provide a sinking fund to meet the principal of said bonds, and the faith of the city of Stillwater shall stand pledged for the payment of said interest and principal, as in said bonds specified. *Provided*, that none of said bonds shall be delivered until said bridge is completed.

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people.

SEC. 2. No such bonds shall be issued under this act, until a majority of the legal voters voting thereon at the election hereinafter provided for, shall have voted in favor of issuing the same. The proposition to issue said bonds may be submitted to a vote of the electors of said city at any general or city election, or at a special election duly called by the proper officers of said city, such officers giving ten days notice to the electors of said city by publishing the notice thereof once in some newspaper published in said city of Stillwater, and by posting such notice in three public places of said city. The propositions for the issue of the two classes of bonds referred to in section one, viz: those in aid of a railroad bridge, and those in aid of a wagon bridge, shall be submitted separately, as follows, viz: those electors voting in favor of said first class of bonds shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed upon their ballots the words:

“Issue of city bonds to build railroad bridge—Yes,” and those voting against the same, the words, “Issue of city bonds to build railroad bridge—No.”

Those voting in favor of the issue of said second class of bonds shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed on their ballots the words, “Issue of city bonds to build wagon bridge—Yes;” and those voting against the same, the words, “Issue of city bonds to build wagon bridge—No.”

And if upon an official canvass of said votes in the manner provided by law for the canvass of votes for city officers a majority of said voters who shall have voted upon either of said propositions are found to have voted in favor of such proposition, the said city council shall thereupon be authorized to issue the class of bonds so approved by said vote; and if a majority of those voting thereon shall be found to have voted in favor of both of said propositions, then the said city council shall be authorized to issue both classes of

bonds as above provided, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars each, as provided in section one of this act.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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take effect.

Approved Feb. 29, 1872.

CHAPTER IV.

An Act enabling the cities, towns and villages in the counties of Wright, Stearns and McLeod, and the towns of Watertown and Hollywood, Waconia and Camden, in Carver, to aid in the construction of branch lines of Railroads from the main line of the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railway, within the city of Minneapolis, to Sauk Centre, in Stearns county, and via Watertown, Carver county, to Hutchinson or some other point in McLeod county, by subscription to the capital stock of any corporation or company, building said railroad, or by donations of money or bonds of such cities, towns and villages, and providing for the payment of such subscriptions or bonds and interest, by taxation.

February 24,
1872.

- SECTION 1. Authority to aid in the construction of railroads.
2. Proceedings to vote and by levying a railroad tax.
 3. Manner of paying out the moneys received from tax levy.
 4. Proceedings to vote aid by the issue of special bond.
 5. Proceedings to vote aid by subscription to the capital stock of railroad company.
 6. Provides for a second election in case the first fails to carry.
 7. Tax levy for principal and interest.
 8. Public use and benefit of railroad declared.
 9. Railroad to be completed before bonds delivered.
 10. Voters must have a legal residence of three months.
 11. When act to take effect.